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policy that is not in its current application, a State shall—

- (1) Publish the application or policy in a manner that will ensure circulation throughout the State for at least a 60-day period, with an opportunity for comment on the application or policy for at least 30 days during that period;
- (2) Hold public hearings on the application or policy during the 60-day period required in paragraph (a)(1) of this section; and
- (3) Provide adequate notice of the hearings required in paragraph (a)(2) of this section at least 30 days before the dates that the hearings are conducted.
- (b) A State may request the Secretary to waive compliance with the timelines in paragraph (a) of this section. The Secretary grants the request if the State demonstrates that—
- (1) There are circumstances that would warrant such an exception; and
- (2) The timelines that will be followed provide an adequate opportunity for public participation and comment.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1437(a)(3))

§ 303.111 Notice of public hearings and opportunity to comment.

The notice required in $\S 303.110(a)(3)$ must—

- (a) Be published in newspapers or announced in other media, or both, with coverage adequate to notify the general public, including individuals with disabilities and parents of infants and toddlers with disabilities, throughout the State about the hearings and opportunity to comment on the application or policy; and
- (b) Be in sufficient detail to inform the public about—
- (1) The purpose and scope of the State application or policy, and its relationship to part C of the Act;
- (2) The length of the comment period and the date, time, and location of each hearing; and
- (3) The procedures for providing oral comments or submitting written comments

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1437(a)(7))

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§ 303.112 Public hearings.

Each State shall hold public hearings in a sufficient number and at times and places that afford interested parties throughout the State a reasonable opportunity to participate.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1437(a)(7))

§ 303.113 Reviewing public comments received.

- (a) Review of comments. Before adopting its application, and before the adoption of a new or revised policy not in the application, the lead agency shall—
- (1) Review and consider all public comments; and
- (2) Make any modifications it deems necessary in the application or policy.
- (b) Submission to the Secretary. In submitting the State's application or policy to the Secretary, the lead agency shall include copies of news releases, advertisements, and announcements used to provide notice to the general public, including individuals with disabilities and parents of infants and toddlers with disabilities.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1437(a)(7))

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STATEMENT OF ASSURANCES

$\S 303.120$ General.

- (a) A State's statement of assurances must contain the information required in §§ 303.121 through 303.128.
- (b) Unless otherwise required by the Secretary, the statement is submitted only once, and remains in effect throughout the term of a State's participation under this part.
- (c) A State may submit a revised statement of assurances if the statement is consistent with the requirements in §§ 303.121 through 303.128.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1437(b))

§ 303.121 Reports and records.

The statement must provide for—

- (a) Making reports in such form and containing such information as the Secretary may require; and
- (b) Keeping such records and affording such access to those records as the Secretary may find necessary to assure